



99TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

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HB4451

by Rep. Adam Brown

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

105 ILCS 5/13A-8

Amends the Alternative Public Schools Article of the School Code. With respect to alternative school programs, provides that each program shall receive funding in the amount of \$30,000 plus an amount based on the ratio of the region's or Chicago's last 3 years' average daily attendance of pupils in grades 6 through 12 served by the alternative school program (rather than the best 3 months' average daily attendance in grades pre-kindergarten through 12) to the statewide totals of these amounts. Removes provisions concerning the calculation for determining the best 3 months' average daily attendance.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT
MAY APPLY

A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning education.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The School Code is amended by changing Section
5 13A-8 as follows:

6 (105 ILCS 5/13A-8)

7 Sec. 13A-8. Funding.

8 (a) The State of Illinois shall provide funding for the
9 alternative school programs within each educational service
10 region and within the Chicago public school system by line item
11 appropriation made to the State Board of Education for that
12 purpose. This money, when appropriated, shall be provided to
13 the regional superintendent and to the Chicago Board of
14 Education, who shall establish a budget, including salaries,
15 for their alternative school programs. Each program shall
16 receive funding in the amount of \$30,000 plus an amount based
17 on the ratio of the region's or Chicago's last best 3 years'
18 ~~months'~~ average daily attendance in grades 6 pre-kindergarten
19 through 12 of pupils served by the alternative school program
20 to the statewide totals of these amounts. ~~For purposes of this~~
21 ~~calculation, the best 3 months' average daily attendance for~~
22 ~~each region or Chicago shall be calculated by adding to the~~
23 ~~best 3 months' average daily attendance the number of~~

1 ~~low income students identified in the most recently available~~
2 ~~federal census multiplied by one-half times the percentage of~~
3 ~~the region's or Chicago's low income students to the State's~~
4 ~~total low income students.~~ The State Board of Education shall
5 retain up to 1.1% of the appropriation to be used to provide
6 technical assistance, professional development, and
7 evaluations for the programs.

8 (a-5) Notwithstanding any other provisions of this
9 Section, for the 1998-1999 fiscal year, the total amount
10 distributed under subsection (a) for an alternative school
11 program shall be not less than the total amount that was
12 distributed under that subsection for that alternative school
13 program for the 1997-1998 fiscal year. If an alternative school
14 program is to receive a total distribution under subsection (a)
15 for the 1998-1999 fiscal year that is less than the total
16 distribution that the program received under that subsection
17 for the 1997-1998 fiscal year, that alternative school program
18 shall also receive, from a separate appropriation made for
19 purposes of this subsection (a-5), a supplementary payment
20 equal to the amount by which its total distribution under
21 subsection (a) for the 1997-1998 fiscal year exceeds the amount
22 of the total distribution that the alternative school program
23 receives under that subsection for the 1998-1999 fiscal year.
24 If the amount appropriated for supplementary payments to
25 alternative school programs under this subsection (a-5) is
26 insufficient for that purpose, those supplementary payments

1 shall be prorated among the alternative school programs
2 entitled to receive those supplementary payments according to
3 the aggregate amount of the appropriation made for purposes of
4 this subsection (a-5).

5 (b) An alternative school program shall be entitled to
6 receive general State aid as calculated in subsection (K) of
7 Section 18-8.05 upon filing a claim as provided therein. Any
8 time that a student who is enrolled in an alternative school
9 program spends in work-based learning, community service, or a
10 similar alternative educational setting shall be included in
11 determining the student's minimum number of clock hours of
12 daily school work that constitute a day of attendance for
13 purposes of calculating general State aid.

14 (c) An alternative school program may receive additional
15 funding from its school districts in such amount as may be
16 agreed upon by the parties and necessary to support the
17 program. In addition, an alternative school program is
18 authorized to accept and expend gifts, legacies, and grants,
19 including but not limited to federal grants, from any source
20 for purposes directly related to the conduct and operation of
21 the program.

22 (Source: P.A. 89-383, eff. 8-18-95; 89-629, eff. 8-9-96;
23 89-636, eff. 8-9-96; 90-14, eff. 7-1-97; 90-283, eff. 7-31-97;
24 90-802, eff. 12-15-98.)